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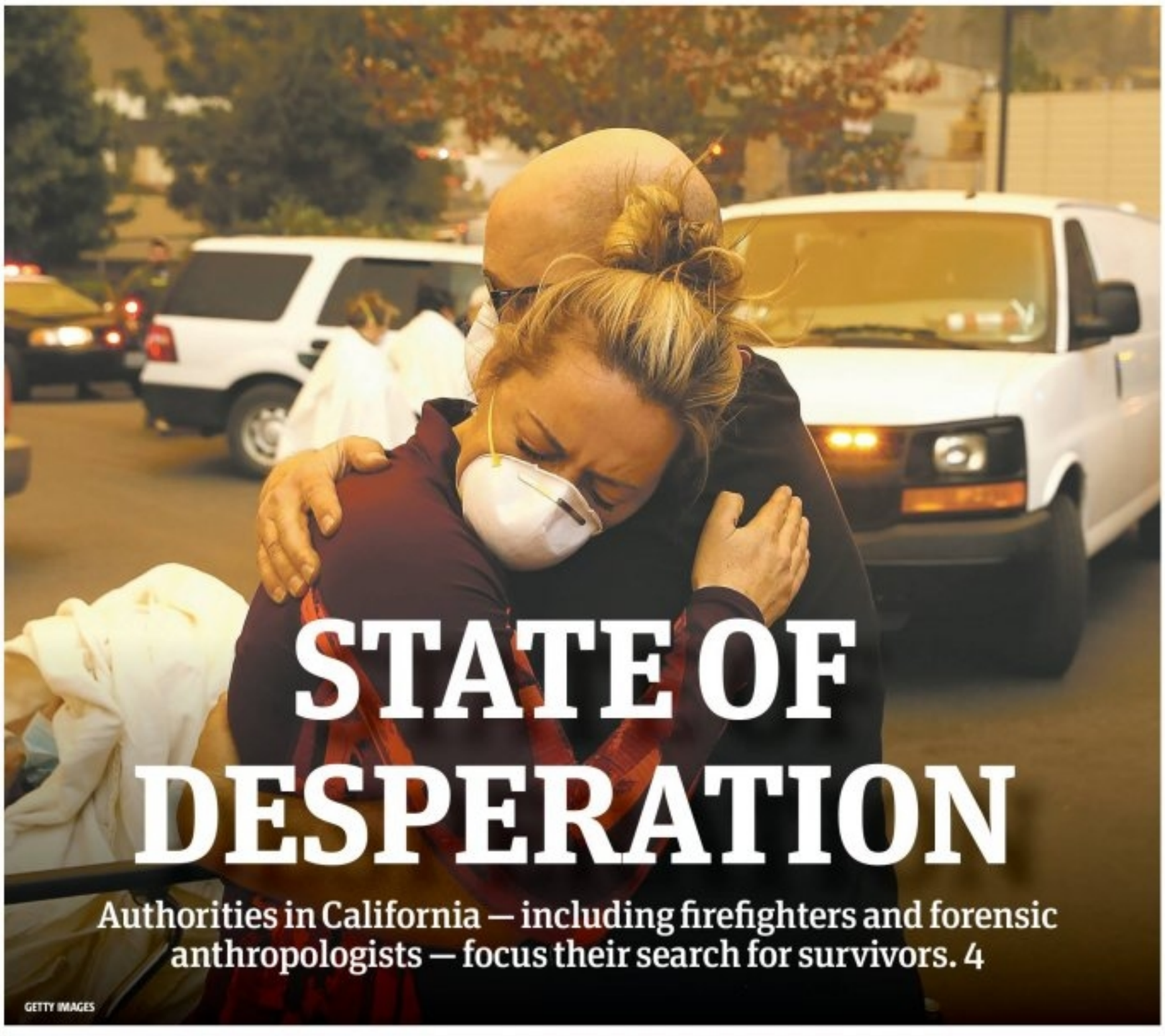

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It was not a pretty game for the Eagles on Sunday. The defending Super Bowl champion were completely outclassed by the New Orleans Saints, losing 48-7. From the opening kickoff, the Eagles had no answer for the Saints, who poured on the points and intercepted Carson Wentz three times. With the loss, the Eagles now find themselves 4-6 and quickly falling out of the NFC playoff picture. ***For more on this game, check out Page 22 and metro.us.***

SCOTT WINS US SENATE SEAT AFTER RECOUNT

1 Florida's outgoing governor, Republican Rick Scott, was declared the winner of the state's hard-fought U.S. Senate race on Sunday, following a recount of ballots in the tight contest against three-term Democratic incumbent Bill Nelson. In the recount of the Nov. 6 election, Scott won by 10,033 votes out of 8.19 million cast statewide, Florida elections officials said on Sunday. Scott took 50.05 percent, compared with 49.93 percent for Nelson, the officials added. Nelson, first elected to the Senate in 2000, became the latest incumbent Democratic senator toppled in the midterm congressional election in which President Donald Trump's fellow Republicans expanded their majority in the Senate but lost control of the House of Representatives. Scott, who was prevented by state law from running for a third term as governor, emerged from the Nov. 6 vote with a lead of less than 0.5 percentage points, which prompted a recount of the ballots. Republicans including Trump made allegations, without offering evidence, that the process was marred by fraud.

CURTAILING MUELLER PROBE OK BY TRUMP

2 President Donald Trump said in an interview aired on Sunday he would not intervene if Matthew Whitaker, his acting U.S. attorney general, moved to curtail Special Counsel Robert Mueller's investigation of Russian interference in the 2016 presidential election. In an interview with the "Fox News Sunday" program taped on Friday, Trump also said he probably would not agree to a sit-down interview with Mueller, who also is investigating whether the Republican president's campaign conspired with Moscow and whether Trump has unlawfully sought to obstruct the probe. Whitaker took over supervision of Mueller's investigation on Nov. 7 after Trump appointed him as the chief U.S. law enforcement official to replace Jeff Sessions, whom the president ousted. Whitaker, whom Democrats have called a Trump "political lackey," in the past criticized the scope of the Mueller probe and brought up the possibility of undermining it by slashing Mueller's funding. Trump, in the interview, said he was unaware of Whitaker's past statements about Mueller's probe and that he would "not get involved" if Whitaker moved to curtail it.

ANTI-IMMIGRANT ACTIVISTS RALLY AT US-MEXICO BORDER

3 An anti-immigrant protester shouts before marching with fellow demonstrators on an immigrant shelter on Sunday in Tijuana. Several hundred Mexican demonstrators marched to the shelter near the U.S.-Mexico border, demanding that members of the migrant caravan, most from Honduras, leave the country. Immigrants have been arriving to the shelter after traveling thousands of miles from Central America. ***Read more on the caravan on page 10.***

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BLAME PASSED OVER PASSED GAS AT DARTS GRAND SLAM

4 Players set more than just their arrows flying at the Grand Slam of Darts this week, with opponents rowing over who had emitted noxious smells during their match, media reported on Saturday. Twice world champion Scotsman Gary Anderson, 47, won Friday's match 10-2 to reach the quarterfinals but his Dutch opponent Wesley Harms, 34, said he was affected by the "fragrant smell" Anderson had left as they played. "It'll take me two nights to lose this smell from my nose," Harms told Dutch television station RTL7L. However, world No. 4 Anderson said the smell had come "from the table side" at the Aldersley Leisure Village venue, in the English Midlands town of Wolverhampton, suggesting it was from the crowd. "If the boy thinks I've farted he's 1,010 percent wrong. I had a bad stomach once onstage before and admitted it. So I'm not going to lie about farting on stage," he was quoted as saying by the BBC. "Every time I walked past there was a waft of rotten eggs so that's why I was thinking it was him. It was bad. It was a stink, then he started to play better and I thought he must have needed to get some wind out."

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Grim search for 1,276 missing after deadliest California wildfire

More than 12,700 homes have been destroyed so far.

Authorities sifted through the charred wreckage of California's deadliest-ever wildfire on Sunday, searching for signs of the 1,276 people now listed as missing after the Camp Fire tore through the mountain town of Paradise.

The remains of 76 people have been recovered so far, 63 of whom have been tentatively identified pending DNA confirmation. Early on Sunday, the blaze, which ignited on Nov. 8, was 60 percent contained, officials said, up from 55 percent Saturday.

Rain is forecast for the area this week, potentially helping douse the flames but raising the risk of floods and mudslides, adding to the misery of 46,000 people under evacuation orders.

Many refugees from the fire have taken up temporary residence with friends and relatives, while others have pitched tents or were camping out of their vehicles.

The death toll far surpasses the previous fatality record from a single California wildfire — 29 in the Griffith Park fire of 1933 in Los Angeles — and already ranks among the deadliest U.S. wildfires since the turn of the last century.

Eighty-seven people perished in the Big Burn firestorm that swept the Northern Rockies in August 1910. Minnesota's Cloquet Fire in October 1918 killed 450 people.

In Paradise, the flames moved so fast that some victims died in their cars in a chaotic evacuation as gridlock formed on the two exit routes out of town.

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The Butte County Sheriff's Office said the list of the missing is compiled using information received from a special hotline, as well as emails and emergency-911 calls that came in during the first chaotic hours of the blaze.

Authorities said some of those listed likely survived but have not yet notified family or officials, either because they lack phone service or were unaware anyone was looking for them.

In Paradise, home to nearly 27,000 people before the Camp Fire struck, two forensic anthropologists for the University of Nevada, Reno, were helping firefighters on Saturday sort through the wreckage at a mobile home park for senior citizens.

Firefighters peeled back the metal sheet of a collapsed roof as the anthropologists picked up charred bone fragments, sorting them into paper bags.

Roger Fielding, chief deputy coroner with the Martin County Sheriff's Office, said each site was treated as a crime scene, with every step of recovery documented with photographs.

"Our job is to pick up any items that might reflect who this person might be," he said.

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Roger Fielding, chief deputy coroner with the Martin County Sheriff's Office

Besides the toll on human life, property losses from the blaze make it the most destructive in California history, posing the additional challenge of providing long-term shelter for many thousands of displaced residents.

At the latest count, the Camp Fire had destroyed more than 12,700 homes and other structures, authorities said on Sunday.

Up to four inches of rain is expected to fall from late Tuesday through Friday in the Sierra Foothills, the National Weather Service's Weather Prediction Center said. REUTERS

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President Donald Trump (left) and deceased Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi (right).

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Trump does not want to hear 'vicious' Khashoggi murder tape

The president still questions the Saudi crown prince's involvement.

President Donald Trump said he does not want to listen to an audio recording of the murder of Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi despite facing mounting pressure to punish Saudi Arabia for the killing.

Khashoggi was killed inside the Saudi consulate in Istanbul on Oct. 2, and Turkey has given the U.S. government a recording of the murder, but Trump said he would not listen to it "because it's a suffering tape, it's a terrible tape."

"I don't want to hear the tape, no reason for me to hear the tape," Trump said in an interview with "Fox News Sunday."

"I know everything that went on in the tape without having to hear it ... It was very violent, very vicious and terrible."

Trump also said he wants to maintain a close alliance with Saudi Arabia despite Khashoggi's death and questioned the alleged role of Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, who is known as MbS and is the kingdom's de facto ruler.

"He told me that he had nothing to do with it," Trump said, adding that "many people" also said the crown prince had no knowledge of the killing.

The interview was taped on Friday, hours before government sources said the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) had briefed the Trump administration on the murder and its belief that MbS ordered it.

Trump said on Saturday that the CIA assessment was "very premature" and in the interview that aired on Sunday he said it may never be possible to know who ordered Khashoggi's murder.

Trump faces intense pressure from senior Democratic and Republican lawmakers to take tougher action against Saudi Arabia. Some have said Trump should suspend arms sales to the kingdom and drop his support for MbS, but Trump has so far resisted that pressure.

"I know everything that went on in the tape without having to hear it ... It was very violent, very vicious and terrible."
President Donald Trump

The administration on Thursday imposed economic sanctions on 17 Saudi officials for their alleged role in the killing, but they did not target the Saudi government.

Saudi Arabia is a major oil supplier and a close ally of the United States in countering Iranian power in the Middle East.

Republican Sen. Lindsey Graham, a close ally of Trump, said on Sunday he had no doubt about MbS' involvement in ordering the murder of Khashoggi.

"They are an important ally but when it comes to the crown prince, he's irrational, he's unhinged and I think he's done a lot of damage to the relationship [between] the United States and Saudi Arabia. And I have no intention of working with him ever again," he said on NBC's "Meet the Press." REUTERS

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Proud Boys, protesters clash in Old City

A police chief was punched during protests held on Saturday at the "We the People" rally.

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Anti-racism protesters (L) and far-right conservatives (R) attend the "We the People" rally in Philadelphia amid counter-protests. ALL GETTY IMAGES

What started out as a small protest by a conservative political group on Saturday in Philadelphia led to an officer being punched, several arrests and numerous scuffles after those with opposing political views began a counter-protest.

The initial protest, named the "We the People" rally, was planned by the conservative political group Proud Boys, who identified themselves as "patriots" described as "pro-good cop, pro-ICE, pro-law and order, pro-life, pro-American value, pro-gun, and anti-illegal immigration," according to a Facebook page for the event.

Roughly 30 people showed up in support of the Proud Boys at a Philadelphia park outside of the Independence Visitor Center; counter-protesters outnumbered them, 10 to one. It was the Proud Boys' first appearance since several members were arrested in a highly publicized October brawl in New York City.

Saturday's events did not live up to expectations, at least to some counter-protesters.

"I kind of wonder if they were just screwing with us, that they made some event to get other people to waste their day," Michael Bartolone, who drove from New York City to join the counter-protesters, told The Washington Post. "Was this all a ruse on their part or were they scared off?"

Philadelphia Mayor James Kenney and the police, who had caught wind of the two opposing groups' plans to protest, prepared for all possibilities prior to the rally on Saturday, with the mayor sharing that there would be "coverage" of the event.

While both sides chanted and gave speeches, Philadelphia police had hundreds of officers at the ready for an outbreak of violence, keeping the two groups mostly separated by Jersey barriers.

"I've only seen one guy get punched so far today," shared Boston resident Gregg Housh, who attended to counter-protest the conservative group. "That's because one of the alt-right guys got out of their pen and walked around to the other side, walked right into the middle and starting yelling Trump stuff at them," he shared.

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New Salvadoran migrant caravan forms; hundreds wait at US-Mexico border

Some of the Salvadorans attempting to enter the U.S. are doing so to escape MS-13's brutality.

At least 150 Salvadorans set off on Sunday from their impoverished Central American country in a U.S.-bound caravan, ignoring their likely rejection at the U.S.-Mexico border, where a larger caravan of mostly Hondurans has been stalled for days.

Guarded by police officers, the men, women and children of the gathering caravan marched through San Salvador's streets to Guatemala-bound buses, loaded with heavy backpacks, water and the knowledge of an arduous 2,700-mile trek ahead to the U.S. border.

The group from El Salvador was at least the fourth caravan to set off since a first, large-scale mobilization in neighboring Honduras, which departed on Oct. 13 from the crime-wracked northern city of San Pedro Sula.

That caravan quickly grew to thousands as it moved north on daily 30-mile treks. Many of its members were still winding their way on Sunday through Mexico toward the U.S. border, where hundreds of early arrivals have been waiting since last week to cross.

Ahead of the Nov. 6 midterm U.S. congressional elections, President Donald Trump denounced the large caravan as an "invasion" that threatened American national security and sent thousands of active-duty U.S. troops to the border with Mexico. Trump has not publicly focused on the caravan since the election.

Inspired by the public spotlight on the larger caravan, Salvadorans organized themselves on social networks and the WhatsApp application to launch the latest effort.

Among them was Manuel Umana, a 53-year-old farmer from the town of San Pedro Masahuat, who said he had decided to join Sunday's caravan to escape MS-13, a brutal criminal gang that controls large parts of El Salvador and neighboring Honduras.

"We are already threatened by the gangs where we live," said Umana, pointing to scars on his face he said gang members had inflicted five years ago. "We no longer can live with these people."

His motives echoed dozens of migrants in the earlier caravans who told Reuters they were abandoning their homes to escape a toxic mixture of violence, corruption and economic insecurity.

El Salvador and Honduras compete for the highest homicide rates in the world, according to official figures. Both countries rank among the poorest in the Americas.

"It is very dangerous but we have no other alternative. We are determined to do what we need to do," said Umana, before leaving with the rest of the caravan from the Salvadoran capital's central Plaza Salvador del Mundo.

Far to the north on Sunday, in the city of Tijuana that abuts California, hundreds of people from the larger caravan braced for planned protests from local Mexicans both in favor of and against them.

Just over the northern border, nearly 6,000 U.S. troops in recent days have stretched barbed wire to dissuade illegal entries.

U.S. immigration authorities, meanwhile, barred passage to dozens of the migrants who in recent days formed orderly lines to enter through the San Ysidro Port of Entry connecting Mexico to San Diego. REUTERS

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Board games and black eyes

Atlantic City politics are going beyond the casino floor and the Monopoly game.

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The only thing more thrilling in Atlantic City, now, than the rash of sports book spending during football season is this week's wealth of speculation about the late-night punch-up between Mayor Frank Gilliam and Councilman Jeffree Fauntleroy II inside and outside the Haven nightclub at the Golden Nugget.

All of the battling bureaucrat action, it should be added, came a week after Democrat Andy Kim won New Jersey's Third Congressional District (Kim being the first Asian-American elected to the House from New Jersey, and the first Korean-American elected to Congress in 20 years) and right before the heated 103rd annual New Jersey League of Municipalities meeting.

The NJLM Conference, held at the Atlantic City Convention Center, featured Lt. Gov. Sheila Oliver, who still — after three years — controls the shore town's assets, budgets, operations and payroll as AC's overall bills are still radically in the red, and coming dangerously close to $6 million.

That type of tension — a continued state takeover, a mostly powerless mayor at a time of potential financial flourish, the scolding feeling of a child railing against its parent and stretching its wings — is enough to make any city officiate punchy and vicious.

We may never know the minutiae of how Gilliam and Fauntleroy came to blows, but of course, this sort-of fisticuffs may be better left to a big casino arena's main event — the center square boxing ring at the Etess, perhaps — or something more worthy of a board game's challenges.

Monopoly, perhaps; the legendary Parker Brothers (now Hasbro) board game battle of wits, street smarts and financial wiles for control of Atlantic City's Boardwalk, its utilities, its oceanic-named street locales (Atlantic, Baltic) created by none other than a Philadelphian (Charles Brace Darrow) during the Depression-era 1930s.

In this live version of Monopoly, neither gamesman, Gilliam or Fauntleroy, would or could "pass Go" or collect $200 at the board's center. More than likely, both boxing bureaucrats would wind up being sent to jail, moved in alongside the monocled, mustachioed Monopoly Man already behind bars.

All of this comes at a time when Monopoly itself is flexing its own muscles and stretching its own wings with the newly-released "Monopoly for Millennials" edition. Here, getting a row of houses and hotels to cover the strip of Park Place or Marvin Gardens is harder than it once was (even more so than the post-Depression the board game was born in) as entering the housing market with top-tier interest rates at present is a real-life rugged pursuit for millennials too often used to hearing "yes."

"Adulting is hard," states the welcome (or warning) on the Monopoly for Millennials box. "Take a break from the rat race with this edition of the Monopoly game."

Break, maybe, but forget about collecting $200. There's a lot more money necessary to handle the mountains of student loan debt and the debris-ridden ecology to worry about buying a home or paying into the game's traditional "Community Chest."

Remember, this "Monopoly for Millennials" and its stroll through present-day Atlantic City comes with another sad slogan: "Forget real estate. You can't afford it anyway."

Perhaps all this bitter embattlement is something for Mayor Gilliam and Councilman Fauntleroy to get in a punch-up over next.

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Browns: We haven't discussed Condi Rice for head coach

The former secretary of state admitted she would like to "call a play or two next season."

Cleveland Browns general manager John Dorsey denied the team has discussed interviewing former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice for the Browns' head coaching job on Sunday.

Dorsey issued the statement after a report from ESPN's Adam Schefter said the team was hoping to interview Rice.

"Former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice is a great leader, possesses the highest possible character and also happens to be a Browns fan," Dorsey said. "I have the utmost respect and admiration for all she's accomplished and was honored to meet her for the first time earlier this season. Our coaching search will be thorough and deliberate, but we are still in the process of composing the list of candidates and Secretary Rice has not been discussed."

Rice is a longtime fan of the Browns. She joined owners Dee and Jimmy Haslam on the field in Oakland on Sept. 30, when the Browns were in town to play the Raiders.

If the team were to interview Rice, it would make her the first woman ever interviewed for a head-coaching job by an NFL team.

On her Facebook page, Rice issued a statement:

"I love my Browns — and I know they will hire an experienced coach to take us to the next level.

"On a more serious note, I do hope that the NFL will start to bring women into the coaching profession as position coaches and eventually coordinators and head coaches. One doesn't have to play the game to understand it and motivate players. But experience counts — and it is time to develop a pool of experienced women coaches.

"BTW — I'm not ready to coach but I would like to call a play or two next season if the Browns need ideas! And at no time will I call for a 'prevent defense.'"

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John Dorsey, Cleveland Browns general manager

Rice has served as a member of the College Football Playoff selection committee and led a commission this year studying potential changes for college basketball.

Dorsey, hired in December 2017, fired former coach Hue Jackson on Oct. 29 after a 2-5-1 start. Jackson won just one of 32 games in his previous two seasons.

Dorsey will lead the search for Jackson's replacement, with the Haslams signing off on the finalists.

Interim coach Gregg Williams, a longtime defensive coordinator, has gone 1-1 since taking over for Jackson and Dorsey has said he "deserves" to get an interview for the full-time job.

Oklahoma Sooners coach Lincoln Riley and Baltimore Ravens coach John Harbaugh have also had their names floated as potential targets.

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Aries You'll be torn between what you want to do and what you should do. Take care of business before you head out with friends. Your reputation will depend on your actions.

Taurus Reconnect with people you have worked with in the past to gain some information that could help you advance. Prospects will vary depending on how you respond.

Gemini Don't reveal information that someone asked you to keep secret. It's important to show that you can be trusted if you want the same respect in return. Meddling will backfire.

Cancer Keep busy. Fitness and a healthy lifestyle will be important when it comes to maintaining endurance and stamina.

Leo A change will do you good, but before you leap into something new, do your due diligence and find out what it costs and what's expected of you.

Virgo Problems with partnerships will mount if you are too trusting or let someone take care of matters that you should handle yourself. Practicality and hard work will be essential.

Libra Discuss problems openly. If you let situations fester, you will end up making matters worse. Use your charm and kind gestures to avert a dispute. Patience will be required.

Scorpio A creative project should be considered carefully. Weigh the cost involved and whether it's feasible. Someone will mislead you in order to get his or her way.

Sagittarius Expect to face opposition if you try to make an unpopular change. You are best off taking care of every detail before you present your intentions to others.

Capricorn Ease into your day. Don't let an emotional incident throw you off course. Avoid acting in haste or taking on responsibilities that don't belong to you.

Aquarius A vocational move or financial gain looks promising. Personal improvements can be made, as long as you stick to your budget. Don't let anyone talk you into something you don't need.

Pisces If you let someone take advantage of you or talk you into something, you will regret it. Stick close to the people you know you can trust and adhere to your set schedule. EUGENIA LAST

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Mark Wahlberg is embracing his old age these days.

Mark Wahlberg acts his age

"I'm embracing getting older."

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After teaming up for box office hits "Daddy's Home" and "Daddy's Home 2," Mark Wahlberg and director Sean Anders hope to make it a three-peat of cinema successes with their latest comedy "Instant Family."

The duo has clearly become fond of each other after working on three flicks together, which made us wonder whether they had any future collaborations in store. Perhaps a "Daddy's Home 3"?

During Anders' recent trip to Boston for the "Instant Family" press tour, the director told Metro that, although there aren't any firm plans in place, he does have a fun idea for a "Daddy's Home 3" should it happen down the road.

"As far as 'Daddy's Home 3' goes, I don't know if that's in the cards or not," Anders said. "We were sort of joking about that maybe the way to do that is 20 years in the future when Mark and Will [Ferrell] are old men, to do a kind of grumpy old men reunion when one of the kids is getting married or something."

While Wahlberg was in Boston last week for a red-carpet screening of "Instant Family", he seemed fond of Anders idea for a "Daddy's Home 3", although he also didn't have an update on a possible sequel. The idea of playing a grandpa on screen at some point did intrigue him, though.

"I haven't thought about that, but would love to be able to at some point play a grandfather," Wahlberg said."I'm embracing getting older. I don't mind playing dad."

"I just got an offer to play a 24-year-old. I was like, "That's a bit of a stretch,'" he added. "I appreciate it. It was flattering. But I like to embrace my old age. I age gracefully."

When it comes to working with Anders, Wahlberg praised the director for his willingness to collaborate and for running a "smooth" ship on his sets.

"He's always open to suggestions and a little bit of help through-

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Wahlberg snapped a selfie with Selfie Kid at last week's red carpet event for "Instant Family." ALL PHOTOS ARAM BOGHOSIAN

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Mark Wahlberg

out the development process, so I absolutely love the guy," Wahlberg said. "It's nice to see a guy who knows what he wants and how to get it."

"I know by the time we're at the starting line and we're actually shooting the movie in principal photography, I'm just kind of doing my job as an actor," he added. "I don't have to worry about there being any fires to put out. It's pretty smooth because Sean's got it all under control."

Seeing as how Wahlberg jumped at the chance to star in "Instant Family" without even seeing a script, it's safe to say that the actor would be very willing to work with Anders again. And the feeling is mutual.

"I would love to work with him again," Anders said.

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Ryan Reynolds voices the fan-favorite Pokemon in the upcoming live-action flick.

'Detective Pikachu' is a 'fun, mystery romp' with 'a lot of heart'

The trailer for the Ryan Reynolds-led flick has taken the internet by storm.

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The first trailer for "Detective Pikachu" caused quite a stir when it the web last week. So much so that it even rivaled the first look at "Toy Story 4" for attention.

That's because, as Pikachu, Ryan Reynolds looks to have injected wit and humor into the film, which means it will appeal to those who have never even heard of Pokemon, as well as its legion of die-hard fans.

Over the last few weeks, we've been lucky enough to speak to two individuals that have worked on "Pokemon: Detective Pikachu": actor Ken Watanabe and its screenwriter Nicole Perlman, who shed some more light on the live-action/animation hybrid.

First, Watanabe discussed his character, Lieutenant Yoshida. "I play a detective who helps the main character of the story. It was fun to watch the Pokemon characters speak internal thoughts that are distinct to humans."

Perlman talked us through her work writing "Detective Pikachu" alongside Rob Letterman, who also directed

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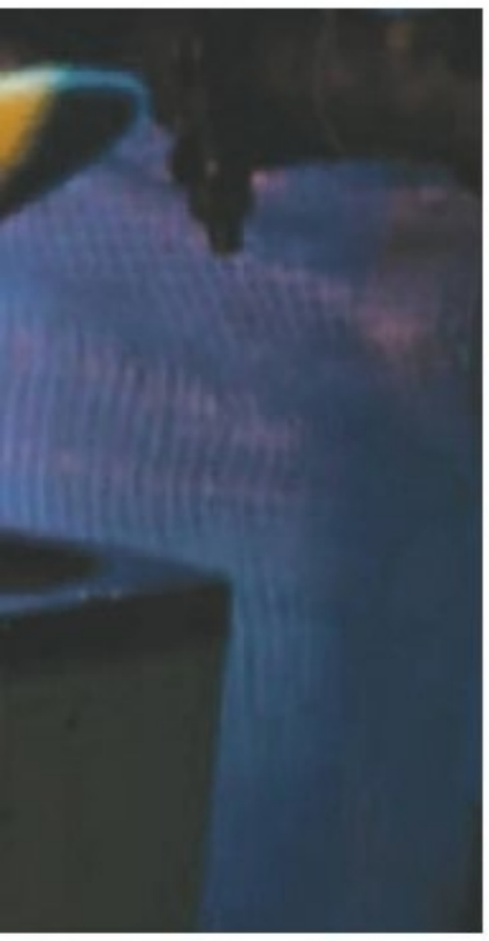

Who doesn't love Pikachu? WARNER BROS. PICTURES

"It is exactly what you are probably imagining it to be in terms of a great kids' movie that appeals to a lot of all ages, with its characters,"
Screenwriter Nicole Perlman

the film, saying their intention was to give it a mainstream appeal that attracted Pokemon fans and novices.

"It is a fun, mystery, romp adventure story," insisted Perlman. "It is exactly what you are probably imagining it to be in terms of a great kids' movie that appeals to a lot of all ages with its characters," Perlman said. "Like with 'Goosebumps,' Rob Letterman does a great job with taking material and really bringing a lot of heart to it. I think that will be an experience that everyone takes away from it.

"I was really drawn to the world-building elements of it," she added. "I like the challenge of crafting a new world that has potentially a lot of interesting backstory and history, and finding a way to make that cinematic and fun and accessible for people new to the franchise."

We'll get to see what Letterman and Perlman have achieved with "Pokemon: Detective Pikachu" when it hits theaters May 10, 2019.

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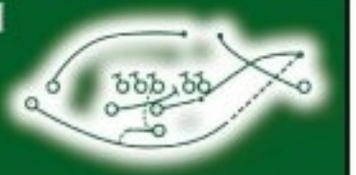

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What are the best companies to work for in the US?

Zippia's annual "Best Companies to Work For" list is out, and it may surprise you!

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Every year, the popular job search site Zippia releases its comprehensive list of the 100 "Best Companies to Work for in America." Many of the usual suspects are included in this year's list. But, the companies that top the list for 2018 may not be the ones you would guess.

So what goes into the decision-making process in choosing these companies? Well, unlike most job-search sites that may have some outside influences that weigh into their rankings, that charge companies to be considered or use employee ratings, Zippia chooses to look at the facts and stay as objective as possible.

"The way that we kind of approached our company rankings was with the same sort of mindset of wanting to provide a data-driven list that would be objective rather than something based on employer reviews that would be subjective," explained Drew Walters, a marketing strategist with Zippia. "We tried to figure out some of the shortcomings that some of these lists usually have."

By taking this approach, Zippia uses three different characteristics to rank each company. The first is overall financial health. This comes from a calculation of the company's overall revenue stream and the total number of years it has been around so that they can gauge its overall stability. The second factor is how competitive each salary is for every position. The last factor is the overall diversity of the company. For this, Zippia not only looks into the gender and ethnic diversity of a company, but also the difference in educational backgrounds and the diversity of political opinions and contributions a company has made in the past.

Taking into account all of these different factors, the final list not only includes some big names like Twitter and Exxon Mobil but some lesser-known names like Baker McKenzie and Maersk Line. Walters believes that by taking such an objective approach, Zippia was able to look past the name recognition of some of these larger companies to inform job-seekers of some other truly great places to work.

"Obviously, you are going to see a lot of brand names and well-recognized names on the list," says Walters. "But, the whole goal is to hopefully give job-seekers a list of the best companies objectively. Maybe give some exposure to some companies that are really great places to work, that they have never heard of before."

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3 Takeaways from Eagles' ugly 48-7 loss to the Saints

The Eagles suffered the worst-ever loss by a defending Super Bowl champion.

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After a horrific first quarter where it seemed like everything that could go wrong for the Philadelphia Eagles did, they showed some life in the second quarter, but in the end were defeated by the New Orleans Saints, 48-7.

The Eagles had no answers for the Saints, who dominated on both sides of the ball. Quarterback Drew Brees continued his MVP-caliber play, completing 73 percent of his passes for 364 yards and four touchdowns.

The Eagles' defense also had issues stopping the dynamic duo of Alvin Kamara and Mark Ingram. Even though Kamara did not have an outstanding game, Ingram made his mark immediately, ripping off a 38-yard run to put the Saints in great position to put points on the board. They combined for 212 total yards and three touchdowns.

While the defense was having their struggles and losing players to injuries, the Eagles' offense was not better. Philly's leading receiver, tight end Zach Ertz, was held to two receptions (three targets) for a pedestrian 15 yards.

Here are three takeaways from their demoralizing road loss in the Big Easy.

FIRST-QUARTER WOES CONTINUE FOR OFFENSE

Heading into Sunday's game, the Eagles' offense came in averaging a disappointing 2.3 first-quarter points per game, worst in the NFL.

Needing to get off to a fast start, the first-team offense could only muster 15 total yards (5 rushing) in the opening frame. Then, to make matters worse, Wentz threw an ill-advised pass into double coverage, leading to an interception. It was his second first-quarter interception in as many weeks.

The Eagles' offense could not convert a third down and did not get a first down until the 12-minute mark in the second quarter. There is really not much more to say about the Eagles' offense at this point because they are who they are.

SAINTS WRS NOT NAMED MIKE THOMAS SHINE

Everyone knew coming into this game that the Eagles' secondary would have their issues with star wide receiver Mike Thomas. However, it was the unheralded trio of Keith Kirkwood, Tre'Quan Smith and Austin Carr that made plays for Brees.

Kirkwood, who played college football at Temple, was able to find space underneath against Philly's defense, racking up three receptions (five targets) for 33 yards.

Then, on top of what Kirkwood was able to do, Carr had a nice touchdown grab. But the star of Sunday's game was Smith, who was able to do whatever he wanted to Philly's defense.

The rookie wideout beat the Eagles' inexperienced corners on short and intermediate routes, but also deep. He finished with a career-high 10 receptions (13 targets) for 157 yards and a TD.

ADAMS IS THE LONE BRIGHT SPOT FOR EAGLES

As previously mentioned, the Eagles' offense didn't get off to a good start, and it haunted them for the rest of the game. The only bright spot came in the second quarter as undrafted free-agent running back Josh Adams scored the Eagles' only points of the game.

The former Notre Dame standout picked up his first NFL touchdown on a 28-yard run in the second quarter. He finished the game with 53 yards on seven carries.

Over the last three games, Adams has continued to run the ball better, and it appears that the coaching staff is placing a lot of trust in him. Therefore, it would not come as a surprise to see the young running back entrenched as the lead back for the rest of the season.

Anthony Russo (No. 15) of the Temple Owls. GETTY IMAGES

Resilient Temple climbs off deck again to beat South Florida

Down, but not out.

That was the story of Temple's improbable 27-17 come-from-way-behind victory over South Florida at Lincoln Financial Field on Saturday. The Owls forced five second-half turnovers while scoring touchdowns on offense, defense, and special teams to erase a 17-point halftime deficit.

But it's also the story of Temple's season. After a 0-2 start, which had many wondering if things might really go off the rails, the Owls have rebounded to win seven of their next nine games.

So what's changed in this team from the time a disconsolate Geoff Collins stood at the same Linc podium following a 36-29 loss to Buffalo back on Sept. 9, which came on the heels of a 19-17 loss to Villanova? Collins insisted not that much.

"We just kept doing what we were doing," said Collins, after the Owls overcame a sluggish first half to turn it on after intermission and move into second place in the AAC North, behind unbeaten Central Florida at 6-1. "We were a really good football team then. I said it two weeks into the season. Everyone expected me to be doom and gloom and be negative. There was no need for it."

The second-year head coach also added, "We are tough. What existed the first two weeks, that's existed throughout the season. We just kept playing smarter and getting better. Now you see what this team is capable of."

It's all part of that familiar "C" word, for which Collins deserves far more credit than he'll ever accept.

"I think you always talk about the culture of a team," said defensive coordinator Andrew Thacker. "That's what makes special head coaches. You go down 0-2 for the season. Today's [Saturday] a microcosm of that. You go down 0-17. That's a micro of our season."

"But the kids responded to adversity. He's continued to stay positive and provide structure and discipline," the defensive coordinator added. "He's continued to challenge them. So much of this is a testament to the head coach instilling those values in our guys. The word 'culture' gets overused, but you can't deny it."

Whatever it was that turned that energized the Owls, the force never diminished. Temple stayed in command from the time an apparently successful onsides kick was nullified by a penalty until Dana Levine's strip sack of USF's Blake Barnett was recovered by Chapelle Russell in the end zone for the clinching touchdown.

Along the way, they had two interceptions and a fumble recovery, a pair of Will Mobley field goals, recovered an onside kick, then took the lead on Isaiah Wright's 73-yard punt return.

That enabled Temple's seniors to become the winningest class in school history (34), with Ventell Bryant setting the school record with 167 career receptions. Next week, they'll go for win No. 35 at Connecticut.

Meanwhile, running back Ryquell Armstead, who scored six touchdowns and rushed for 221 yards at Houston, settled for 64 yards on 26 carries and one score. But he didn't seem to mind one bit.

"We were able to get the running game going in the second half," said Armistead, who moved over the 1,000-yard mark for the season with 1,042.

"We had positive energy and I didn't let my frustration build. We understand we're a good team. We fell short of it the first two games. We've put it all together now and we've been rolling."

That didn't seem very likely two months ago when Collins and the Owls seemed to be at an early crossroads. But thanks to a team that leads the country in non-offensive touchdowns (11), an offense that became revitalized once sophomore Anthony Russo took over at quarterback and a defense which has forced 24 turnovers, 7-4 Temple will soon be heading to a bowl game for the fourth straight season.

"We just came in and started worrying about the little things," said Delvon Randall. "Just trying to go 1-0 every week. We don't care about what the outside world [has] said about us. We believed and we executed." JON MARKS

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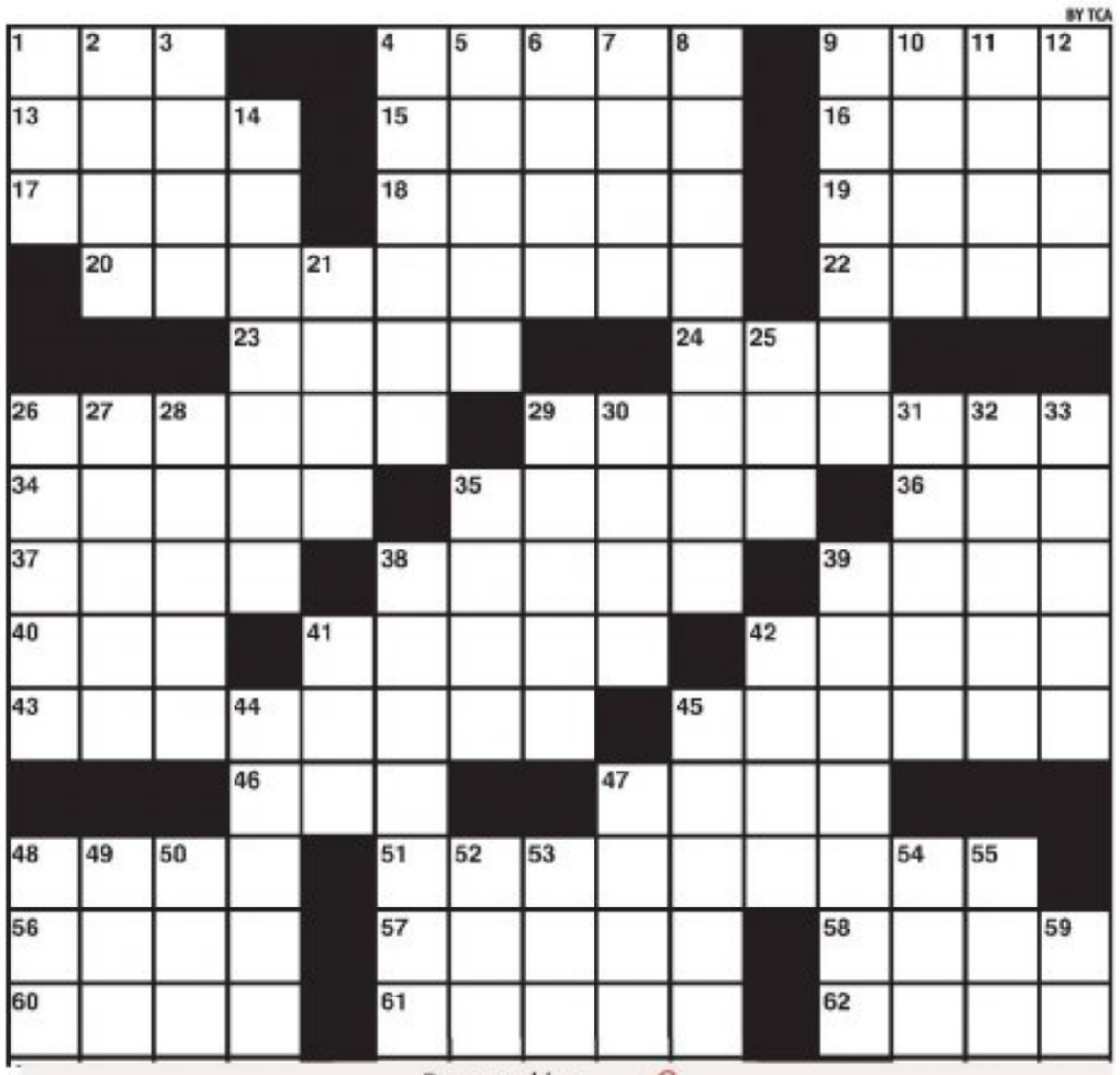

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Bipolar Depression
Research Study

Has your life been affected by bipolar depression?

You may be eligible for a research study being conducted in our area to evaluate the safety and effectiveness of an investigational medication for the treatment of bipolar depression.

In order to qualify you must:

- be between 18 and 65 years of age (inclusive)
- have been diagnosed with bipolar I or bipolar II disorder
- be currently having a major depressive episode that started at least 2 weeks ago, but no more than 6 months ago
- have previously had at least one bipolar manic or mixed episode (if you have bipolar I disorder), or hypomanic episode (if you have bipolar II disorder)
- be currently taking lithium or valproate

Qualified participants will receive all study medication and study-related care from a dedicated team of medical staff at no cost. Health insurance is not required to participate.

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Still feeling symptoms of Depression after having taken a prescription Antidepressant?

If so, participating in our medical research study of an investigational drug may be an option for you.

To participate in this research study, you must:

- be experiencing a depressive episode of at least 8 weeks but less than 2 years in length
- be at least 18 years of age
- have had inadequate relief from 1 or 2 antidepressants

There is no charge to participate in our study, and compensation for time and travel may be available.

For more information, please contact:

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